communities about Drug abuse and spread of HIV and AIDS;

— To strengthen Blood Safety Programme by strengthening the existing blood bank and linking with existing Zonal Blood Testing Centres;

— To strengthen S,T,D. Control programme to prevent spread of HJV through Sexcal Contract;

— To strengthen the Drug De-addiction Programme and establish rehabilita tion centres in coordinatiin with the Welfare Minstry and NGOs working in the field.

(c) HIV testing centres have been established in Medical Colleges, Guwahati, Medical College Silchar and Regional Medical College, Imphal.

Performance of duties of registration work

3840. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHARY; Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE *be phased* to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that in the various C.G.H.S. units of Indian System of Medicine and Homoeo pathy in Delhi/New Delhi, the duty of registration work and distribution of medicines is performed by Group 'D' employees due to the non-posting of Pharmacists or Store-keepers there;

(b) if so, what effective steps Government propose to take to fill up the vacancies of Pharmacists and Store-Keepers in the Units of Indian System of Medicine and Homoeopathy in Delhi/ New Delhi;

(c) whether any proposal for augmentation of staff in- Indian System of Medicine and Homoeopathy units are under active consideration of Government; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) and (b) No, Sir. All the sanctioned posts of Pharmacists under Homoeopathic/Unani system of medicines are already filled up, However, three posts of Ayurvedic Pharmacists are lying vacant due to non-availability of suitable candidates possessing requisite qualification, despite efforts made to fill the posts.

(c) At present there is no such proposal.

(d) and (e) Question does not arise.

उत्तर प्रदेश में परिवार नियोजन केन्द्र

3841. **श्री ईश दत्त यादव :** क्या स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) इस समय उत्तर प्रदेश में कितने-परिवार नियोजन केन्द्र है और सरकार प्रति-प्रतिवर्ष उन पर जिलावार कितनी-कितनी धनराशि खर्च करती है ; और

(ख) 1990-91 और 1991–92 के वर्ष के दौरान प्रत्यक जिले में कितने-कितने व्यक्तियों का ऑपरेशन किया गया है ?

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती डा० के० के० तारा देवी सिद्धार्थ): (क) और (ख) राज्य सरकार से सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सदन के पटल पर रख दी जाएगी ।

Human Resource Development in the country

3842. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABHINANDAN JAIN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether Government's attention (has been drawn to the news-item which appeared in the Economic Times of 30th June, 1992 under the captions 'Kerala among best in HRD; North Worst; U.N. Report';

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto; and